

State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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Inspection Report Minerals Regulatory Program Report Date October 26, 2005

Mine Name: Cameron #1	Permit number: S/047/036
Operator Name: Asphalt Ridge, Inc.	Inspection Date: August 31, 2005

Time: 5:45-7:00 PM

Weather: Clear, 70's

Inspector(s): Paul Baker Other Participants: None

Mine Status: Active (mined in campaigns, not

continually)

Enforcement **Elements of Inspection** Evaluated Comment 1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds 2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls) 3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control 4. Deleterious Material 5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety) 6. Concurrent Reclamation 7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts, drill holes) 8. Water Impoundments 9. Soils 10. Revegetation 11. Air Quality 12. Other

Purpose of Inspection:

I have been in discussions with a potential new operator and wanted to reacquaint myself with the site, ensure there were no unauthorized activities, and attempt to map the disturbance.

Inspection Summary:

1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds

The Division has received a draft application to transfer the notice from Asphalt Ridge, Inc., to Asphalt Ridge, LLC. The Division is requiring reclamation sureties before transfers are completed, so the transfer will require a reclamation surety.

3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control

There is a small stream—apparently a perennial stream—that runs right next to the mine pit. A berm separates the stream from the mine, and I have seen no sign of sediment from the mine getting into the stream. Nevertheless, this is something of which the operator needs to be careful. I previously asked the operator to place some sediment control at the lower end of the mine. I was informed this was done and do not doubt the operator, but there were no silt fences or straw bales in the pit area during this inspection.

10. Revegetation



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In an effort to increase the area that could be mined, the prospective new operator ripped and intends to seed an area that had been used for crushing, screening, and mixing gravel and asphalt. I photographed the area during my inspection (Photo 3). Photo 4 shows the reclamation work the prospective operator performed. This photo was received by e mail on October 26, 2005.

12. Other

There has been a lot of mining and exploration activity in this area, and it is difficult to determine exactly what the current operator is responsible for. After the last inspection, I asked the operator to place stakes around the area he considers to be part of this operation. I was able to find several of the stakes but not all, so when I took GPS readings to create a map of the disturbed area, I probably included areas that are not permitted under this notice. The map shows the disturbed area being 5.4 acres, but this is probably not accurate.

There are two main areas of the mine. The one to the southwest on the map is the pit, part of which is shown in Photos 1 and 2. The other part of the mine is an area that, as mentioned above, has been used for crushing, screening and mixing gravel and asphalt. Both of these areas are shown on a map in the notice. The stream runs between them.

The prospective new operator does not intend to use the crushing, screening and mixing area but wants to expand the pit area to encompass five acres. The map submitted with a new reclamation contract shows this expansion area, and the legal description gives a metes and bounds description of the area.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

For a site to be a small mine, it must be five acres or less, and for the disturbed area to expand beyond five acres and the site to remain a small mine, the operator is required to, before expanding, reclaim an area equivalent to the expansion beyond five acres and wait through one growing season. For this mine site, the current disturbed area is approximately five acres. The prospective operator has reclaimed the crushing, screening and mixing area and is proposing to expand the pit to five acres. Before the pit is expanded to this size, the operator needs to wait one growing season for vegetation to become established in the area that has just been reclaimed. The area that has already been disturbed can still be used during this time.

Inspector's Signature

Date: October 26, 2005

PBB:jb

Sam Arentz, Asphalt Ridge, Inc. Attachment: GPS Map & Photos

PHOTO ATTACHMENT

S/047/036, Cameron #1 Mine, Asphalt Ridge, Inc.

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Photo 1. This view is looking approximately southeast through the pit area.



Photo 2. Another view of the pit taken from the bank next to the stream and looking approximately northwest.

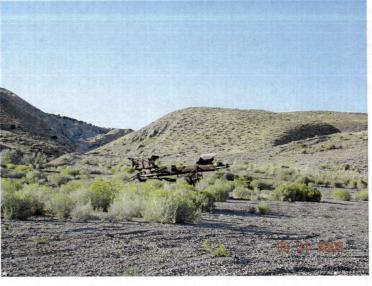


Photo 3. An area that has been used for crushing and mixing asphalt and gravel.



Photo 4. This photo was taken by the operator, and I received it October 26, 2005. It is the same general area as shown in Photo 4 and shows how the area was prepared for seeding.



Mine Number: S470036 Mine Name: Cameron 1 Project Township 05 S Range 22 E Section 31 SLBM

Inspection Date Aug. 31, 2005 Map Produced by DKS

Acres Disturbed	5
Acres Regraded	0
Acres Seeded	0
Road Acres Disturbed	0

Total Acres Distrubed 5.4

Acres	Reclaimed	
Acres	Excluded	
Acres	Prolaw	

Legend All items symbolized in legend may not be appear on map



DOQ imagery date 2004





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